



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 99-372-A)

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In re Application of: Welcher et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/724,860 ) Before the Examiner: J. Andres  
Filed: November 28, 2000 ) Group Art Unit: 1646  
For: Interferon-like Molecules )  
and Uses Thereof )

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

**PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants request a Three-Month Extension of Time to respond to the Restriction Requirement, mailed May 16, 2002. A check in the amount of \$920.00 for an Extension fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3), is attached. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Dated: November 13, 2002

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